## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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No. DA 09-0253

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STATE OF MONTANA,

Plaintiff and Appellee,

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JOSHUA HAWKEYE LEWIS,

Defendant and Appellant.



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## MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT

COMES NOW Taryn Stampfl Hart, counsel for Appellant, and respectfully requests until January 15, 2010, in which to prepare, file, and serve the Appellant's opening brief in the above-entitled matter. In support of this motion, undersigned counsel respectfully submits the following affidavit.

Respectfully submitted this 23° day of December, 2009.

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Stampfl Hart

Assistant Appellate Defender

STATE OF MONTANA ) : SS. County of Lewis and Clark

I, Taryn Stampfl Hart, being first duly sworn upon my oath, depose and state as follows:

- 1. I am a licensed, practicing attorney in the State of Montana, and am currently employed by the Office of State Public Defender, Appellate Defender Office, as an Assistant Appellate Defender.
- In my capacity as Assistant Appellate Defender, I have been assigned 2. to handle the above-entitled matter.
- 3. The Appellant's opening brief is currently due December 28, 2009. Counsel requests until January 15, 2010, in which to file Appellant's opening brief.
- 4. During the month of December, counsel was ill and was out for almost a full week. Additionally counsel is taking time off for the holidays and counsel's assistant is on vacation until December 28, 2009.
- 5. Counsel is currently assisting on a reply brief in DA 09-0091, which is currently due on January 4, 2010. Once counsel's work on the reply brief is completed, counsel will be able to work exclusively on the present matter.
- In light of counsel's current commitments, counsel cannot complete 6. the briefing in time to mail the brief to the client so as to give the client an opportunity to consult.

- 7. Counsel will work diligently to complete the matter in the time requested.
- 8. Opposing counsel has been contacted concerning this motion and does not object.
  - 9. Further your affiant sayeth naught.

TARYN STAMPFL HART

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 230d day of December, 2009.

SARAH J. BRADEN
NOTARY PUBLIC for the
State of Montana
Residing at Helena, Montana
My Commission Expires
January 25, 2011

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I caused a true and accurate copy of the foregoing

Motion for Extension of Time and Affidavit in Support to be mailed to:

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